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Mini-Airport at Kushalnagar

- Bidding open under UDAN 4.0 by Civil Aviation Ministry
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The 49.65-acre Agriculture Department land behind Kodagu Sainik School at Koodige near Kushalnagar that has been selected to build a mini airport.

Kushalnagar, Dec. 19 (Akshay &BCT)- In a significant development, Kushalnagar in Kodagu has been selected among the four airports in Karnataka for which bids have been announced under the fourth round of Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) or the Ude Desh ka Aam Nagarik (UDAN) 4.0 recently. The other three airports are Ballari, Karwar and Kolar. It will be a mini airport in Kushalnagar.

The four airports are under the unserved airport category. Unserved airport means any airport at which there have been no scheduled commercial flights during the last two flight schedules published by the Director General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) on its website.

The Airports Authority India is the implementing agency of the Regional Connectivity Scheme and it has invited the bids. Bids have been called to operate 20-seater planes (category 1) of the RCS.

For a 20-seater aircraft to land and take off, a one-kilometre runway is needed and the land in Kushalnagar has this facility.

Boost to tourism

If the mini airport in Kushalnagar becomes a reality, it will boost extended tourism from Mysuru to Kodagu. At present, flyers from Kushalnagar either come to Mysuru or Bengaluru to take flights to different destinations.

Flyers to Gulf countries either travel to Kannur or Mangaluru from Kushalnagar by road. A flight from Kushalnagar connecting Mysuru, Kannur, Bengaluru and Mangaluru will boost air travel in the region.

(See MINI-AIRPORT on page 8)

Echo of protests against Citizenship Act

Section 144 clamped across State for 3 days

- Hundreds gather at Meelad Bagh in Mysuru; Police disperse crowd
- Historian Ramachandra Guha among 200 detained in Bengaluru

Mysuru, Dec. 19 (RK&BCT)- Following protests planned by various groups against the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA) this morning, Section 144 of the CrPC was imposed across the State including Mysuru city. It will be in force till the midnight of Dec. 21 (Saturday).

During this period, permission to hold protests and rallies will be denied, said senior Police officials. Assembling of more than five people at a single place has also been banned. Police said that the ban orders had been imposed as the Police were anticipating a law and order problem.

Officers have been asked to ensure that prohibitory orders are in place for the next three days depending upon the situation. However, schools, colleges, offices, malls and shopping complexes where there are usually large gatherings functioned normally.

Several organisations had sought permission to stage rallies. While a majority of the organisations were planning to stage anti CAA protests, a few had also sought permission to celebrate the Act. Several groups had already received Police permission to hold peaceful protests from today till Dec. 21 but with the decision to impose Section 144, the permission has been cancelled.

Following the clamping of ban orders, a scheduled protest by CITU at the Town Hall premise in city this morning has been withdrawn.

(See SECTION on page 8)

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Ruining *relationships*

Despite discord in ideologies and agendas, forming the so-called *coalition* Governments, often inviting the adjective *unholy*, by various otherwise warring political parties both at the Centre and in the States as well as Union Territories seems to be the order of our times, more as a norm than exception, all for making merry with power and pelf drawing generously from public funds, as the newspaper-savvy masses read in the dailies of all hues and remain as passive witnesses to the goings on helplessly. Their volatile relationships based on ambition and greed conforms to the saying "There are no permanent friends in politics but only permanent interests" attributed to the former British Prime Minister Winston Churchill (1874 - 1965). The land's multitude of players, mistakenly identified as *leaders*, are accepted as role models for the country's youth in nurturing relationships with trust as stable as the bubbles on flowing waters of rivers. The world of business, particularly in the country, abounds with *partners* ruining their brittle relationships on money-sharing plank. Closer home, the bonding between urban-based working couples has tended to get broken well ahead of the child-bearing event in their life.

Philosophers of the land who walked in flesh and blood in distant past have scripted their views on the importance of harmony and tolerance as the hallmark of stable relationships enduring for the lifetime of the people bonding together and empathising among themselves selflessly. Their ground rules for nurturing relationships within the family and in society seem to have been thrown to the winds in our times.

Going by reports of episode in the dailies taking place across the country, even the proverbial mother-child relationships have gone bust, not to speak of other intra-family relationships such as between father and son, ending in criminal acts including killing. Various policies and measures aimed at progressing towards the ideal of inclusive society being introduced by successive administrations over the past decades, including the ongoing controversial Citizenship Law, seem to have boomeranged, as reported in the media. The global scene of fractured relationships between countries and the national scene of bitterness among different States on counts of territory and sharing river waters are not showing signs of abating. The time-honoured *Guru-Shishya* relation at all levels of the world of learning is more an exception than the rule in the present dispensation of society.

Sociologists and researchers in the field have their task cut out in fathoming the factors that drive people apart, starting from dislike and distrust, while scholars may have to wear their thinking caps and lay down the ground rules of addressing ruined relationship issues.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

CLEANSING THE MIND: ***A taxi driver was taking a passenger to the airport. He was driving steadily, following speed limits when suddenly another car jumped out of a parking space right in front of the taxi. The taxi driver slammed on his brakes, skid, and missed the other car by just a few inches! The driver of the other car leaned out of the window and started yelling at him. The taxi driver just smiled and waved at the guy in a friendly gesture. The other guy cooled down and drove away. The passenger exclaimed, "Why did you let him get away? This guy almost ruined your car and sent us to the hospital!" The taxi driver patiently explained that many people are like garbage trucks. "They run around full of garbage, full of frustration, anger, and disappointments. As their garbage piles up, they need a place to dump it and sometimes they'll dump it on you. Don't take it personally, just smile, wave, wish them well, and move on. I have no desire to take in their garbage and spread it to other people at work, at home or on the streets." Such positive actions will make inroads into clearing up the garbage in our minds and help build mental muscles to improve overall health.***

— Jayanthi Chandrasekaran in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Father makes son beg at train station for life lesson

Beijing: A Chinese father sparked outrage on social media after he allegedly made his son beg at a Shanghai train station as punishment for not doing his homework.

Shanghai Police responded to an emergency call about a young boy with a schoolbag on his knees begging for food in a local train station. When officers found the 10-year-old, he was holding a small bowl and asking people for food. Asked how he had gotten there, the child told them that his father had left him at the station, put the bowl in his hands and told him to beg from strangers as punishment for not doing his homework.

Officers took the boy to the Police Station where they offered him some biscuits and a hot drink, and contacted his mother, who came to pick him up about an hour later. She told the Police that her husband was indeed very upset that their son was often reported for not doing his homework and had decided to make him beg to show him what a joyless life awaits him if he does not study hard. She added that she didn't agree with his method.

Mom uses cardboard cutouts of herself to trick son

Tokyo: A young Japanese couple have come up with an ingenious way of making their one-year-old son stop crying whenever he notices that his mother isn't around by placing life-size cardboard cutouts of the woman in the room he is playing in.

Fuki Sato recently became an overnight sensation after photos of her life-size cutouts went viral all around the world. Apparently Sato and her husband had been having trouble calming down their one-year-old boy, who would start to cry whenever he noticed that she wasn't around. Since staying by his side 24/7 really wasn't an option, they decided to have her be around the child all the time, while not really being there.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

How much does snacking account for my daily calorie intake?

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Ph.D awardees

Mysuru, Dec.19- The University of Mysore (UoM) has awarded Ph.D in South Indian Studies to **B. Murthy** for his thesis 'Bharathada Swathanthrya Horatadalli Mysuru Samsthanada Patra' [Guide: Dr. Sreekanta]

M. Suresha has been awarded Ph.D in South Indian Studies by the UoM for his thesis 'Mysuru Wadiyar Kalada Vruthi Aadharitha Samudayagalu' [Guide: Dr. Sreekanta]

B.D. Nagarathna has been awarded Ph.D in Folklore by the UoM for her thesis 'Mysuru Jilleya Budakattu Mahileyara Samskruthi' [Guide: Dr. M. Nanjaiah Honganuru]

S. Suresha has been awarded Ph.D in Economics by the UoM for his thesis 'Economic Valuation of Lakes: A Case Study of Ramanagara District' [Guide: Dr. H.R. Uma]

M. Siddaraju has been awarded Ph.D in Philosophy by the UoM for his thesis 'Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Avara Drushtiyalli Asprushyatheya Acharane mattu Adannu Hogaladisalu Kaigonda Margopayagalu - Ondu Adhyayana' [Guide: Dr. J. Shankarappa]

T. Prashanth has been awarded Ph.D in Chemistry by the UoM for his thesis 'Synthesis, Characterisation and Biological Studies on Benzimidazole, Thiazole and Counmarin Derivatives' [Guide: Dr. Shaukath Ara Khanum]

K. Shivakumara has been awarded Ph.D in Kannada by the UoM for his thesis 'V. Munivenkatappanavara Sahitya' [Guide: Dr. K. Sowbhagyavathi]

D.C. Vijaya Kumari has been awarded Ph.D in Kannada by the UoM for her thesis 'Heggadadevanakote Talukina Shaktidevathegala Samskruthika Adhyayana' [Guide: Dr. K. Sowbhagyavathi]

Really...?

- *Pistol is a small firearm designed for one-hand use. According to one theory, pistols owe their name to the city of Pistoia, Italy, where handguns were made as early as the late 15th century.*
- *Dating from the 16th century, the earliest practical pistols typically were single-shot muzzle-loading arms employing wheel-lock or various flintlock ignition systems, and they evolved simultaneously with shoulder weapons such as the harquebus, musket, and fowling gun. Such handguns were produced in a wide range of sizes and calibres, from large military "horse" pistols to small pocket and muff pistols for personal protection.*

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— Dr. C.G. Narasimhan
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District Minister Somanna to visit city on Dec.30

Mysuru, Dec.19- District-in-charge Minister V. Somanna will visit the city on Dec.30.

The Minister will arrive in the city by road on the morning of Dec.30 and will take part in a public grievance meet at 10 am, following which he will preside over a quarterly KDP meeting at Zilla Panchayat Hall at 11 am.

Somanna will perform *Guddali Puja* for the commercial complex atop Chamundi Hill at 4 pm. The Minister will stay overnight in city and leave for Madikeri by road at 7 am on Dec. 31.

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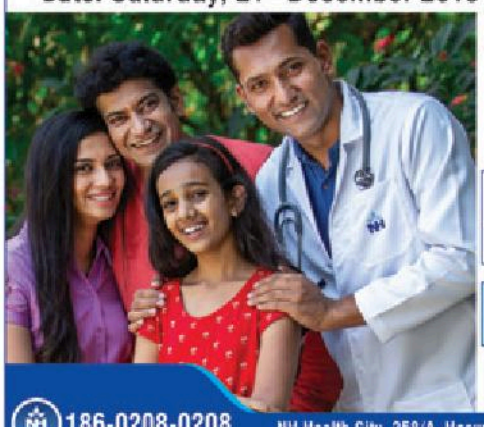

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NEWS BRIEFS

District-level Athletics Meet

The Department of Public Instruction has organised a District-level Athletics Meet for Differently-abled boys and girls aged 14 to 17 years at Hardwicke School Grounds on Dec.20 from 9.30 am. More than 150 differently-abled children will be participating in the meet. For details, call Mob: 96868-72401.

School Annual Day

The 37th Annual Day of Sree Cauvery School, Indiranagar, Bengaluru, will be held at its premises on Dec.20 at 4.30 pm. Kodava Samaja-Bengaluru President and senior advocate Muckatira T. Nanaiah will be the chief guest. Kodava Samaja Education Council Chairperson Dr. K.K. Seethamma will preside.

CESC Consumer Day

As part of National Consumer Day, Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) has organised an awareness programme for power consumers on Dec. 24 at 11 am at Office of the CESC Assistant Executive Engineer, Chamundipuram. Member of the District Power Consumer Grievances Redressal Forum Savitha Ranganath will address and educate the power consumers on this occasion.

Calling building owners

The Taluk Backward Classes Welfare Department has invited entries from building owners to provide hostel accommodation at various places in city to house over 100 students with all amenities. Details can be submitted to the Taluk Backward Classes Welfare Office. For details, call Ph: 0821-2445447.

Sammelana registration

The three-day 85th Akhila Bharatha Kannada Sahitya Sammelana will be held at Gulbarga University from Feb. 5. Those interested to participate in the Sammelana can register their names at the Office of their respective District Kannada Sahitya Parishats or at Kannada Sahitya Parishat in Chamarajpet, Bengaluru before Jan.14.

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CM promises more budgetary allocations to tourism sector

Government committed to take Karnataka to fifth position in India's tourism, says Yediyurappa

Bengaluru, Dec. 19 (KMS& BCT)- The State Government is committed to take Karnataka to the fifth place in the Nation's tourism sector as Karnataka is privileged to have innumerable and exquisite tourist destinations, said Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa.

He was speaking after inaugurating a workshop on the Karnataka Tourism Policy 2020-25 held yesterday at a private hotel in Bengaluru. The two-day workshop was aimed at providing a floor to experts to express their perspective, bring together ideologies and put forth an efficient policy for tourism in Karnataka.

Budgetary allocations

He assured the tourism sector that he would sanction extra funds in the budget to promote tourism as a major industry. Funds will be allocated to provide facilities for tourists at various destinations. He directed the officials to work towards taking Karnataka to the fifth place in India.

He said the Centre has identified tourism as one of the engines to propel the country's economic growth. "It surely holds true in the case of Karnataka. Karnataka is home to a rich world heritage, wildlife, waterfalls and more. We would like to encourage new destinations, fresh ideas, more investment and wider job opportunities in the tourism industry of the State," he said.

Yediyurappa promised all support to improve tourism in the State and that there will be no dearth of funds to improve tourist destinations and provide facilities. He pointed out that Rs. 105 crore was spent on 144 tourism projects and another Rs. 149 crore is being released for 33 new projects.

Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa and Chairperson of Vision Group for Tourism Sudha Murty share a moment at the workshop on Karnataka Tourism Policy 2020-25 in Bengaluru yesterday.

Tourism a core avenue for economy: Sudha Murty

The workshop on the Karnataka Tourism Policy 2020-25 is focused on getting opinions and suggestions from all stakeholders and the policy will include all the inputs, said Sudha Murty, Chairperson, Vision Group for Tourism, Karnataka. "Tourism is not just about entertainment. Rather, it is one of the core avenues of our country's economy. It is crucial that we become aware of the challenges ahead for the tourism industry, and the profit and loss incurred. This is a platform where we pool in ideas of various experts of the industry and put forth a new policy. By this, we not only aim to attract more tourists but also make them feel proud of our State's heritage," said Sudha Murthy, who is also the Chairperson of Infosys Foundation.

Niche sectors to be included

Tourism Minister C.T. Ravi said that niche sectors, such as wellness tourism, adventure tourism, eco tourism, medical tourism, spiritual tourism and cultural tourism, are being included in the proposed Tourism Policy 2020-25.

"Key niche sectors are being included in the proposed tourism policy. We envision making tourism a significant revenue generator. In doing so, we hope to impact the multiplier effect through sections of the society from jobs to preserving heritage to improving infrastructure," Ravi added.

Public Private Partnership

The State government is looking at more Public Private Partnership (PPP) models in the sector. "There have been no new tourism destinations post independence and whatever being projected are natural sites and built before independence. There is a need to focus on the aspect in the policy and the government is looking at more of PPP models," Ravi said.

Chief Secretary T.M. Vijay Bhaskar said Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Rajasthan get a large number of tourists unlike Karnataka. Despite Karnataka having a 320-km coastline, tourists prefer Kerala and Goa which needs to be analysed and it should be the main intention of the policy, he said.

Sydney-model

Revenue Minister R. Ashoka suggested that Karnataka should follow the Sydney-model in Australia where tourists travel 10 hours to see the penguins and Igloos just for two hours.

Tourism Secretary T.K. Anil Kumar said the Government is thinking of drawing models of other States where subsidy for infrastructure has been given at a higher slab like Rs. 10 crore, but in Karnataka subsidy starts from Rs. 3-4 crore. This is being discussed in the policy.

Members of various tourism groups suggested that 50,700 more hotel rooms be built in Karnataka with jobs to 1.86 lakh people to improve the GDP. There should be continuous carnivals and events in every city to draw tourists, they said.

Restoration of Madikeri Fort to begin from Dec. 24

Madikeri, Dec. 19 (PS&BCT)- The long-neglected historic Madikeri Fort will be restored and conservation works will begin from Dec. 24. This was stated before the Karnataka High Court by a team of officials from the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI). The team submitted an affidavit in this regard on Dec. 17 before a Bench comprising Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice Pradeep Singh Yerur.

The affidavit stated that the State Government has given administrative approval to repair the fort at a cost of Rs. 8,20,45,674 and the government has released the first instalment of Rs. 53 lakh.

The Court was hearing the Public Interest Litigation (PIL) filed by J.S. Virupakshaiah, a retired IAS Officer and a resident of Somwarpet. The petitioner had contended that the Fort and Palace premises were heritage sites, dating back to more than three centuries. They are neglected and the exterior walls of the Palace are infected with fungus.

All these years, several Government Offices had functioned from the Fort premises and despite this, no official took interest in repairing the structure which is in a dilapidated state. Finally, following strictures from the High Court, the District Administration acted and has even taken steps to shift the Government Offices to other buildings to help the Archaeological Survey of India carry out restoration works.

The petitioner had prayed before the Court to issue directions to the Government to vacate its Offices and hand over the monuments to the ASI to maintain it. He pleaded before the Court that there was an urgent need to save the historic monuments as incessant rains were causing harm to the structures.

The history of the Old Fort dates back to the 17th century AD. It was built by King Muddu-raja of Haleri dynasty. Tipu Sultan rebuilt the Fort with stone. The Palace was built by Lingaraja Wadiyar II in 1812. The Fort was acquired by Dodda Veera Rajendra in 1790 and later came under the rule of British in 1834.

'Shraddhanjali' hearse Rests in Peace

Mysuru, Dec.19 (RK&US)- 'Shraddhanjali,' a hearse provided by the District Administration, now rests in peace for the last one year at the premises of the office of the District Health Officer (DHO) in Nazarbad here.

A 108 Ambulance was modified to a hearse and provided by the District Administration to help poor people in rural areas to shift the bodies of their deceased kin from hospitals in city to their villages.

The transportation was free for up to a distance of 25 kms and a charge of Rs.9 per km was levied beyond that. The vehicle, painted totally black, was under the jurisdiction of K.R. Hospital. 'Shraddhanjali' was launched in 2018 and was operational for only 10 months before it broke down and lay idle with shrubs growing all around the defunct vehicle.

No officer was said to have bothered to either get the hearse repaired or provide an alternative vehicle, with the poor people forced to look for other private ambulances or taxis to shift the bodies of their deceased loved ones from hospitals to their villages.

DHO Dr. Venkatesh clarified that 'Shraddhanjali' was indeed idle for the last one year as the Regional Transport Office has been demanding some document or the other to get the vehicle repaired. He further said that the concerned Department Engineer was on leave and expected to report for work in two days after which he assured to get the vehicle repaired.

He observed that the vehicle is very old and had sought a replacement soon.

Purse with gold jewels stolen

Mysuru, Dec.19 (RK&KS)- A woman from Chamarajanagar, who had come to city to attend a house-warming ceremony, has lost her purse containing 60 grams gold jewellery while returning to Chamarajanagar by a KRSTC bus on Dec.12 night.

The woman, who lost her gold jewellery, is T. Varalakshmi. She had come to city on Dec.12 morning to attend the house warming ceremony of the new house of her friend Anuradha Anil at Srirampura.

After attending the ceremony in the afternoon, Varalakshmi, who went to Srirampura Bus Staop, removed the gold ornaments — 25 grams gold necklace, two gold bangles weighing 26 grams and three fingerings weighing 10 grams — and kept them in the purse and came to Suburban Bus Stand.

At about 4 pm, she went to the shopping mall in the bus stand building and after shopping, she boarded KSRTC bus to Chamarajanagar at 6.15 pm and reached her destination at 8.20 pm. When she checked her bag containing the purse after reaching home, she found the purse missing, according to the complaint lodged by her at Lashkar Police Station.

Lashkar Police, who have registered a case, are investigating.

House burgled in Kalyangiri

Mysuru, Dec.19 (MK&KS)- Miscreants, who broke into a house in Kalyangiri, have decamped with cash and jewellery worth Rs.2.20 lakh from the house. The burglary took place at the house of one Mohammed Jamsheer.

Jamsheer had been to Nanjangud on Dec.15 and the burglars who used the opportunity, broke open the lock of the house and made away with Rs.1.70 lakh cash and gold jewellery worth Rs.50,000 from the house.

Jamsheer, who came to know about the theft when he returned home, has lodged a complaint at Udayagiri Police Station.

Obituary

M.R. Rangaswamy

Mysuru, Dec.19- M.R. Rangaswamy (85), former Director of Mysuru and Chamarajanagar District Vokkaliga Association and a resident of Brindavan Layout here, passed away yesterday in city.

He leaves behind his wife Sharadamma, son Dr. Shashidhar, daughter Dr. Sandhya and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at Chirashantidhama in Gokulam yesterday evening.

Doll (Radhakrishna)

Doll (Radhakrishna), former Mysuru City Congress Vice-President and a resident of Belli Katte in Devaraja Mohalla, passed away yesterday in city. He was 58.

He leaves behind his wife Charitha, two sons and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed this afternoon at the foot of Chamundi Hill.

B. Basavaiah

B. Basavaiah, President of Naagarika Vedike and Director of Maruleshwara Temple, passed away yesterday evening in city.

Son of Angadi Siddappa and a resident of K.G. Koppal, Basavaiah leaves behind his wife, two sons, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at K.G. Koppal Burial Grounds in city this noon.

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Decoding Mythology

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North-Eastern love for Krishna

When one speaks of Krishna, one usually speaks of North Indian traditions of Surdas and Mirabai, or South Indian traditions of Andal and the Alwars. Chaitanya Mahaprabhu dominates eastern traditions of Krishna, just as Vallabhacharya and Dyaneshwara dominate the Western traditions. But we rarely pay attention to the North-East of India: Assam and beyond, known from ancient times as Gandharva-desha, and closely connected to the Vedic Goddess Usha, who, as per local legend, taught song and dance to the Gandharvas. It is, as per local legend, the land of Rukmini, who married Krishna; Chitrangada, who married Arjuna; and Usha, who married Krishna's grandson Aniruddha.

As it happens in India, nothing is homogeneous. Krishna bhakti is practised in Assam as well as Manipur, but the bhakti in both places is very different. When one goes to Assam, one finds the Krishna bhakti propagated by Shankardev, who lived around 500 years ago. But when one travels further east, to Manipur, one finds a different kind of Krishna bhakti, which is based more on Chaitanya's ideas.

While Shankardev bhakti of Assam values *nirguna* (formless Krishna) and shuns Radha, Chaitanya bhakti of Manipur values *saguna* (Krishna form) and celebrates Radha. Shankardev placed greater value in chanting God's name *(eka-nama-sharana)* with the attitude of a servant *(dasya bhava)*. In Manipuri bhakti, through dance, great value is placed on the romantic mood of the gopikas for Krishna *(madhurya bhava)* as a pathway to the divine. Both these forms of Vaishnavism came later, overlaying older tribal traditions as well as Shakta practices.

Shankardev was an educated man. He wrote many songs and plays based on Krishna's life. Theatre and dance played key roles in propagating his ideas. In *ankiya naat* of Assam, the performance in the theatre groups established by Shankardev, there are several references to Krishna's life as the husband of Satyabhama and Rukmini; there is no reference to Radha at all. Unlike Shankardev, Chaitanya did not write anything down. It was his numerous disciples, many of whom chose Vrindavan as their home, who revived the Krishna tradition there. Many students also went to Manipur and so Radha plays a very critical role in Manipuri Krishna bhakti. Chaitanya Mahaprabhu was a contemporary of Shankardev, and was closely associated with Jagannath temple at Puri. Shankardev followed the Advaita form of Vaishnavism, based on the *Bhagavata Purana*. Here, the whole world is a manifestation of the single divine. This is known as monism. In this, everything in the world is seen as a manifestation of Krishna and there is no room for another, there is no second. The tree in the forest is Krishna. Only ignorance makes us differentiate between the three. This monism was popularised by Adi Shankara 1,200 years ago and was connected to the bhakti way by Ramanuja 900 years ago. It spread northwards and reached Assam via Shankardev about 500 years ago.

Like Shankardev, Chaitanya explains his bhakti through Vedanta, which discusses the relationship between the individual soul *(jiva-atma)* and the cosmic soul *(param-atma)*. But Chaitanya prefers Bhedabheda that speaks of two halves of the same reality, one represented by Krishna and one represented by Radha. The individual soul and the cosmic soul are one, yet different, like trees in a forest. For all this philosophy, what really strikes us in North-East Krishna bhakti is the value placed on the performing arts to express spiritual longings.

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Fake Guides and Travel Agents

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Ballal

Was perusing a recent report on fake tourist guides. Are you surprised? I am not. This kind of thuggery may be a recent phenomenon in Mysuru but has been going on for years in North India.

Twenty years back, I used to be General Manager of Lodhi Hotel. I was expecting a guest from my home town who was alighting at Nizamuddin Station, just 10 minutes from the Hotel. On enquiry, I was told that the train had arrived on time, but even after an hour, our guest had not reached home. After about an hour, our guest called up from some hotel in the vicinity. I was surprised as I told him that we were waiting for him from past one hour. He then narrated his ordeal and how he was hijacked by the auto driver to a hotel.

On nearing the Lodhi Hotel, the driver told him that the hotel was on strike and he should stay in some other hotel nearby. The driver then rang up a number and spoke. He then handed over the phone to my relative saying that the man on the other line was the receptionist of Lodhi and he can confirm from him about the strike. Our guest panicked and was taken to a hotel nearby and was asked to pay full advance for all three days of his stay at Delhi.

The auto driver conveniently took his 20 percent commission and vanished. Later on I sent my Security Manager and threatened of Police action. My guest was then refunded two days advance. This kind of thuggery is prevalent in Airport Hotel booking counters too !

Now, this form of fraud has surfaced in Mysuru. As we are importing all North Indian cultures into our way of life, we should accept this too. From time immemorial, South Indian marriages was a solemn boring affair. A North Indian marriage would be loud, full of fun, with mehendi, dances etc., and now it has become a part of our marriage functions too.

Recently I received a video of a groom and bride dancing in a marriage function at Udupi, a traditional town ! Ten years back could you think of any marriage down South, where cocktails are served except in a Kodava marriage? Now this North Indian culture has become an integral part of our elite marriages.

Is there a solution in place to eradicate this racket? The answer is a clear NO. Greed and corruption is so rampant that this system has come to stay. Everyone is involved — travel agents, guides, drivers and in some cases hotels. Who is the loser? The poor tourist...

Another bad influence imported from North is the percentage of commission paid to the guides, drivers and travel agents by the shop-keepers. A whopping 30 percent. What is the net result? All the tourists coming in to the town gets fleeced royally.

In the nineties, in Varanasi, the largest hotel in town was "Clarks" with about 180 rooms. They also owned a farm house and had converted that into a shopping centre called "Bagheecha." Every tourist coming to town was taken there for shopping of Banarasi sarees and silk carpets of Kashmir. The whole tourist trade including hotels, travel agents, guides both Indian and foreigners were involved in this racket of fleecing the poor tourist. Just like Mysuru, 80 percent of the materials made in Varanasi are fakes, sold as genuine Banarasis. Taxi drivers and rickshaw drivers too made handsome commissions and were paid even if the customer did not buy anything !

Top International Travel Agents like SITA and TCI sent in their reps to collect the commission money every 6 months. A smooth racket, polished and perfected with time and now is slowly making its way into South. I recollect in the nineties, the shops just used to pay a nominal commission of ten percent.

Just one look at the number of shops which have come up on Chamundi Hill road? All private brands flaunting the name of Cauvery, the Government brand, spelled in different ways, Kaveri, Cavery, etc., to confuse the unsuspecting tourist. Every silk material is palmed off as Mysore Silk. It is not that every guest gets fooled. Some come prepared and some have knowledge of the material. They go to the real factory outlets and buy whatever they want.

Top class guides are even paid advances at the start of the year by the large shop-keepers to ensure that they bring the customers to the designated shops. Have you ever wondered how so many silk shops opposite the Zoo survive? I have never seen any locals go there. These shops are meant for tourists only.

A similar racket exists even now in Bengaluru where every Tom, Dick and Harry small time travel agents put up a board "ITDC approved." We tried to get it removed with the help of Police several times but within months it would reappear. The net result was that the poor customer booking his bus ticket would always think that the Travel Agent had the Government of India approval for running his bus services, which was not the case.

To conclude, is there a solution in place to eradicate this racket? The answer is a clear NO. Greed and corruption is so rampant that this system has come to stay. Everyone is involved. Travel agents, guides, drivers and in some cases hotels. Who is the loser? The poor tourist, both domestic and international, who have to shell out huge amounts of money to buy fakes. Sometimes at exorbitant prices.

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Violent protests over Citizenship Act

North-East students in city worried over loved ones back home

North-East students at St. Philomena's College in city.

Mysuru, Dec. 19 (MTY, RK & BCT)- As the protests against the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA) turned violent in several parts of the country, especially in North-Eastern States of Assam, Tripura, Manipur, Meghalaya and West Bengal, students from the North-East staying in Mysuru are concerned about the safety of their family members and loved ones back home.

The US, the UK, France and Israel have issued travel advisories following violent protests against the Act in parts of the North-East, advising their citizens either not to travel to the region or to exercise caution. "The situation is of great concern as our families live there and we are praying for their safety," said the students.

There are over 25-30 students from the North-East studying in Colleges affiliated to the University of Mysore like St. Philomena's College, Mahajana College and Teresian College and there are many students in private colleges too. Also there are sizeable number of people from the North-East who are working in many business establishments and hotels in Mysuru. These out-of-State students are managed and governed by International Centre at University of Mysore.

These students and professionals stay in paying guest accommodations. **Darshitha,** who is pursuing her BA from St. Philomena's College and a native of Manipur, says that she is concerned about the protests. "My family and loved ones are there and students of Manipur, Assam and Tripura are on streets demanding the scrapping of the Citizenship Amendment Act. I have been calling them and they are safe," she says.

Chingkheingan who is also pursuing his BA from St. Philomena's told *Star of Mysore* that luckily his place in Manipur is not affected. "Major parts of North-East are affected and for us there are no holidays now to go back home. We are going in April after our exams and we are in touch with our parents and relatives," he said.

Kavirani of Manipur, who teaches English in St. Philomena's College, said that she is deeply concerned about the safety of her family and relatives. Communication and Internet have been suspended and I spoke to my family a week back. Students of North-East have come to the streets and the situation is out of control in some areas," she added.

'Immigrants given preference'

Nathang Aphi

Dondup Tsering

Though I am able to contact my parents, I am unable to get in touch with some of my family members who stay there. The passing of Citizenship Amendment Act is definitely affecting us in Arunachal Pradesh as all the North-Eastern States depend on Assam for the import of clothes and food. It is also saddening to see the immigrants being given priority or preference over the indigenous people," said **Nathang Aphi** from Arunachal Pradesh, who is pursuing his first B.Sc. at St. Joseph's First Grade College.

"The situation in North-East has become a major cause of concern. With the Citizenship Amendment Act enforcement, life in the North-East has come to a standstill and it saddens me to see my people in this situation. Also, Citizenship Amendment Act poses a threat to the employment and demography of the States," said **Dondup Tsering** from Arunachal Pradesh, who is pursuing his final B.Com at St. Joseph's First Grade College.

KSOU to have exclusive rights over distance education soon

Mysuru, Dec. 19 (RK&BCT)- The Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) will be the sole University to offer courses through distance mode, as the State Government is looking to restructure the distance education system in Karnataka.

The decision to make distance education the sole preserve of the Mysuru-based KSOU was taken on Tuesday at the General Council meeting of Karnataka State Higher Education Council at Bangalore University Auditorium. The Vice-Chancellors (VCs) of 24 Universities in Karnataka, education experts, academicians and retired VCs attended.

At the meeting, **KSOU VC Prof. S. Vidyashankar** had raised objection over other Universities offering distance education, causing huge financial loss to the KSOU that has been set up exclusively for the purpose. The meeting was chaired by Deputy Chief Minister and Minister for Higher Education Dr. Ashwath Narayan.

Arguing KSOU's case, Prof. Vidyashankar said that in 2005, the Karnataka Governor, who is the Chancellor of Universities, had directed the Universities that have been established under Karnataka State Universities Act to desist from offering distance education courses.

In his communication to the Universities, the Chancellor had stated that under the Act, there is no provision for the regular Universities to offer distance education courses and granting degrees. Prof. Vidyashankar pointed out that only KSOU that has been formed specially to offer distance education courses has the exclusive right to offer correspondence courses.

Prof. Vidyashankar said that the KSOU has the entire infrastructure, staff, teaching and non-teaching staff, syllabus and examination conducting facilities for distance education. In his scenario, if the regular Universities are accorded permission to offer distance education courses, it will not only be a financial loss to KSOU but also lead to unhealthy competition, he argued. The meeting discussed the topic for more than an hour.

After listening to all the VCs, Minister Dr. Ashwath Narayan directed officials of the Higher Education Department to take necessary measures and issue an order in this regard.

As of now, University of Mysore, Bangalore University, Kuvempu University-Shivamogga, Mangalore University and Karnatak University, Dharwad, are offering distance education.

Interestingly, these Universities have obtained permission to offer courses through distance mode from the UGC for the next three to five years. "As a few of the Universities have obtained permission for the next few years, we need to check on how to communicate about the discontinuation of the same with UGC," an official from the Department said.

'Regular Varsities must not offer distance education'

Meanwhile, former KSOU Vice-Chancellor **Prof. N.S. Ramegowda** has stated that the regular Universities must desist from offering distance education courses. In a letter to the State Government, he has opined that traditional Universities offering distance education courses were threatening the very existence of KSOU.

He has urged the Government to declare that only KSOU has the exclusive right to offer distance education courses. Prof. Ramegowda opined that the move to permit other Universities established under Karnataka State Universities Act to offer distance education courses was wrong and illogical.

Mini-Airport at Kushalnagar

(Continued from page 1)

Appachu Ranjan's proposal

An airport to Kodagu was first proposed by Madikeri MLA M.P. Appachu Ranjan when he was the Minister for Youth Services and Sports in 2012.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Appachu Ranjan said that he was happy that Kushalnagar Airport has been selected under RCS (UDAN) of Prime Minister Narendra Modi Government.

The land for the airport had been identified near Byadagutta, Madapura and Koodige and of this, land behind the Kodagu Sainik School at Koodige was finally selected. "There is 45 to 50 acre land owned by the Agricultural Department at Doddathoor Village till the border of Basavanathoor village that has been mentioned in the surveys conducted by the Public Works Department. In June this year, a team of officials from the Airports Authority of India (AAI) had visited the site and had accepted the land proposal. If more land is required, it can be acquired," he said.

Aviation Training Academy

The MLA said that along with the airport, an Aviation Training Academy will come up next to Kushalnagar Mini-Airport and this Academy will train flight aspirants from Kodagu, Mysuru and surrounding regions. "I am following up the establishment of the Airport and the Academy," he added.

300-acre Government land

Nagendra Prasad, President of Kodagu District Hotels, Resorts and Restaurants Association told *SOM* that when P.I. Sreevidya was the Kodagu Deputy Commissioner, a 300-acre Government land was identified near Aanekaadu on the National Highway 275 for the Airport. This land falls behind the 6-acre KSRTC Depot at Basavanahalli. The land had come up for discussion before the present DC Annies Kankani Joy too four months back.

"This proposal was, however, dropped due to opposition from environmental groups. Now that the AAI has approved the land behind the Koodige Sainik School, we can hope for a small airport in the near future. As per the RCS, an operator has to fly three flights per week. Even if it is a 20-seater aircraft, flight services from Kushalnagar will be a big boost for Kodagu tourism," Nagendra Prasad added.

Water-logging problem

The Airport is in the backdrop of Doddathoor, Chikkathoor and Koodige hill ranges (though there is no official name for the hill ranges) and there are over 50 families residing in the vicinity. If the Airport has to come up, the families have to be evacuated and relocated.

The only hitch here is that the land behind Koodige Sainik School was submerged last year when more than one lakh cusecs of Cauvery water was released from Harangi reservoir. Villagers said that at present, the Agricultural Department grows paddy in this land and the location is near Harangi Dam. If Kushalnagar Airport has to become a reality, then the Government must take steps to prevent water-logging, say villagers.

Special Coaching

Mysuru, Dec.19- Mysuru Law Academy will be conducting special coaching for the competitive examination conducted by Karnataka Examination Authority (KEA) to fill 100 posts of Asst. Public Prosecutor-cum-Asst. Government Pleader post.

Interested may register their names at the office situated in Vidyavardhaka Educational Institutions complex, Seshadri Iyer Road, between 11 am to 5 pm. [Mob: 99640-29817 or 72046-39010 or 94497-03380]

Cake Expo and Thai Food Festival begins in city

Mysuru, Dec. 19 (KS) - The Annual Cake Exhibition and Thailand delicacy food festival 'The Taste of Thai' began at *Frosting* in V.V. Mohalla this morning.

The 12-day cake expo and Thai food festival was inaugurated by *Star of Mysore* Managing Editor Vikram Muthanna and Aparna Ranga, Owner, *Frosting*.

Frosting has exhibited exquisite cakes that are not only visually enchanting but a delightful experience for the taste buds as well. Each and every scrumptious cake displayed by the chefs of *Frosting* are sheer masterpieces.

Frosting is showcasing their supreme baking prowess, along with a variety of delicacies and their newest dishes in the menu this year. The cake exhibition in its third edition will feature cakes in the most unique and unheard-of designs and shapes.

The Thai Food Festival offers a taste of Thailand to the food lovers. The menu will have Thai Spring Roll, Vegetable noodles soup with tofu and lemon grass, Thai glass noodle salad, Grilled Tofu with Peanut Butter Sauce, Thai Raw mango chicken curry etc.

The 12-day event will bring together food enthusiasts and visitors from various backgrounds and nationalities.

The event, which began today will conclude on Dec. 30.

Section 144 clamped across State for 3 days

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The city Police have literally cordoned off the Devaraja Police Station limits that houses the regular protest venues like the Town Hall, Mahatma Gandhi Statue, Kote Anjaneya Swamy Temple premises and surrounding areas.

Devaraja Station limits has a concentration of forces led by DCP (Law and Order) Dr. A.N. Prakash Gowda and DCP (Crime and Traffic) B.T. Kavitha. They are supported by four ACPs, 13 jurisdictional Inspectors, 16 Sub-Inspectors, 200 constables and units of City Armed Reserve (CAR) and Karnataka State Reserve Police (KSRP).

High alert has been sounded in areas including N.R. Mohalla, Mandi Mohalla, Udayagiri, Shanthinagar, Beedi Colony and Kalyanagiri and forces have been deployed in front of religious places. Hundreds of protesters had gathered at Meelad Bagh on Ashoka Road to protest this morning and the Police had sent forces and the Mobile Command Centre to monitor the situation there. The protesters were convinced not to break the law as ban orders were imposed. After some time, the protest was withdrawn.

The Police have also warned citizens not to share provocative messages on social media. The IT cell of the city Police had been asked to monitor online activity and take necessary action. Those who violate the law will be booked under Section 188 (offence of disobedience of an order duly promulgated by public servant has been committed which causes obstruction, annoyance or injury to the legal authority passing the order) of the IPC, Police warned.

200 detained in Bengaluru

Meanwhile in Bengaluru, thousands of protestors gathered in large numbers at the Town Hall to voice their dissent against the amended Citizenship Act and the NRC. The Police had to resort to mild charge to disperse the crowds.

Many protesters were bundled into KSRTC buses and taken to far off places so that they cannot reach the Town Hall again to protest. The imposition of prohibitory orders in Bengaluru has prompted anger and frustration among several people especially those who were planning to participate in protests against the Citizenship Amendment Act.

At least 200 people including historian and academic Ramachandra Guha were detained in Bengaluru as they attempted to protest in two places. Ramchandra Guha was forcibly detained by the Police while he was giving interviews and was dragged away into the bus by men in khaki. The 61-year-old was participating in a protest at Bengaluru Town Hall.

The detentions from Town Hall and Mysuru Bank were made as the protestors had gathered despite prohibitory orders being in place in the city.

Bandipur Fire Watchers to be insured for life

By M.T. Yogesh Kumar

Mysuru, Dec.19- The Forest Department has come forward to protect the lives of Bandipur Forest Fire Watchers, who risk their lives to prevent and also to control forest fires. For the first time, life insurance facility is being provided to the Fire Watchers besides taking steps to guard the forest 24 hours a day by deploying personnel in two shifts.

Forest Fire Watchers are men who work from fire towers above timberlines to help prevent wild fires. From their viewpoints, Fire Watchers can detect smoke and fire rising from the trees far off in the distance and report fire and smoke in their assigned areas. They are knowledgeable about weather systems, fire weather and fire behaviour.

Forest Fire Watchers may work full-time or part-time and many hold temporary positions as they usually work during the forest fire season.

Some Fire Watchers live and work at their fire towers throughout the fire season. They work overtime during wild fires to support the ground staff and may also work additional hours when the danger for fire is high due to critical fire weather conditions, such as strong winds and extremely dry weather conditions.

The forest fire that erupted in Bandipur Tiger Reserve in February due to miscreants lighting the fire had devastated hundreds of acres of pristine forest. The National Remote Sensing Centre of the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) carried out an assessment of the total area affected by the fire. On Feb.25, it estimated the extent of burnt area to be about 10,920 acres. Choppers of Indian Air Force were used to douse the fire.

The Forest Department have now taken all precautionary steps to prevent forest fire and have even sought the co-operation of villagers and youths in forest borders and are conducting awareness programmes to sensitise people about the devastation that will be caused due to forest fire.

And for the first time, in a bid to protect the welfare of Forest Fire Watchers, the Forest Department is providing life insurance to Fire Watchers, both temporary (working on contract basis) and permanent. The works on collection of documents has already begun for the same.

Bandipur Forest is spread around 1,024 sq. kms which is divided into 13 zones. There are 40 Watchers (daily wagers) and 15 permanent Waters deployed in each zones to prevent forest fires. A total of 500 persons living in forest borders have been deployed as Watchers on temporary basis and there are 200 permanent watchers who have been provided training to control and extinguish small fires in forest. From Jan.1 till the end of summer, temporary Fire Watchers will be working in their assigned areas.

While the validity of the insurance for temporary Fire Watchers is three months, the validity of the insurance for permanent Fire Watchers is one year. The insured amount for loss of life is Rs.5 lakh and the amount that will be paid for medical expenses of injured is Rs.1 lakh.

Wages being deposited to bank account

Earlier, the wages of temporary Fire Watchers, who were working on daily wage basis, were being given through a Range Forest Officer (RFO) which was being misused on some occasions, resulting in people not coming forward to take up the job and hence, the wages are now being deposited directly into the bank accounts of Fire Watchers.

Woking in two shifts

Earlier, Fire Watchers used to come at 10 am daily, prepare a broom out of green leaves to beat the fire and enter the forest in the Forest Department vehicle at 11 am and come back at 5 pm.

But now, the forest is guarded for 24 hours in two shifts and for the first time, temporary Fire Watchers have been provided uniforms-like T-shirts and even lunch.

Drone to keep a hawk-eye vigil over forest

Following miscreants lighting fire to the forest in February this year, a drone with high megapixel camera will be used to keep a hawk-eye vigil over the forest and also to keep a watch on the movement of people in forest borders.

Two-day National Seminar on Journalism from Dec.21

Rajmohan Gandhi

Mysuru, Dec.19 (RKB&US)- Gandhi Vichara Parishat, Mysuru and Centre for Gandhian Studies of University of Mysore (UoM), together have organised a two-day National Seminar on Journalism titled *'Madhyama: Prajasatthe'* on Dec.21 and 22 at the proposed Gandhi Bhavan site on Adichunchanagiri Road in Aravindanagar here.

Disclosing this at a press meet at Pathrakartara Bhavan here yesterday, Parishat President P. Mallesh said that senior journalist and Gandhian from New Delhi, Rajmohan Gandhi, will inaugurate the programme on Dec.21 at 10.30 am.

Former Chief Minister and Parishat Hon. President Siddharamaiah and UoM Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar will be the chief guests.

Journalists Krishna Prasad, Kumar Kethkar, Ravindra Bhat and Seema Mustafa and writer Lakshmisha Tholvadi will speak on various topics related to media.

The programme on Dec.22 will feature lectures by journalists Dr. R. Poornima, D. Umapathi, Ravi Hegde, Dinesh Amin Mattu and A. Hariprasad and thinker Dr. G. Ramakrishna.

Former Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa will preside and UoM Registrar Dr. R. Shivappa will be the chief guest, he said.

Parishat Secretary Samskruti Subramanya, Centre for Gandhian Studies Director Dr. M.S. Shekar and Kannada Kriya Samithi Gen. Secretary S.R. Sudarshan were present.

Lost your mobile phone?

Produce documents to Railway Cops, take the phone

Mysuru, Dec.19 (SPN&KS)- The Mysuru Railway Police, who have recovered eight mobile phones in various phone theft cases, have asked those whose mobile phones were stolen, to produce relevant documents and take their phones.

The Railway Police, who investigated a case (112/2019) lodged at Mysuru Railway Police Station, arrested one Ravi on Dec.10 and based on the information provided by the accused, the Railway Police had recovered eight mobile phones stolen by him.

As the owners of these recovered mobile phones were not traced, the Railway Police have requested those who have lost their phones to produce documents and get back their phones by visiting the Mysuru Railway Police Station.

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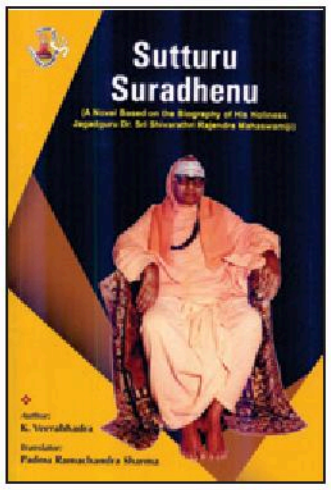
Saga of selfless service



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Although the publication has been deemed to be a novel, the narrative is actually a biographical record of **Suttur Seer Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji** (1916-1986), comprising a large number of events reading which creates the feeling of witnessing the incomparable Swamiji dedicating himself in selfless service to society, particularly in enabling and empowering those without the wherewithal to keep their soul and limbs together, providing them with food, shelter and education. The description of the days following the Swamiji's birth is poetic in style, marking the solemnity of the occasion, virtually heralding the arrival of the ascetic who turned out to be the epitome of virtue and magnanimity, as the incumbent Seer of Suttur Mutt Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamij has expressed in his message.

The land's epics narrate the acts of divinity descending on earth in human form. This publication narrates the innumerable acts of Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji no less that of divinity in assuaging hunger and life's miseries of fellow human beings, in thousands.

While the translated script is absorbing to the discerning readers, the original script in Kannada must be in content and style more absorbing. The example of one of the beneficiaries of the Seer's compassion and empathy, enabling him to be groomed into a self-dependent citizen, replicated in countless number of cases, gives an insight into the lifestyle of the Mahaswamiji.

The country's prominent citizens in various walks of life seeking the opportunity to come face to face with the Seer and be blessed by him seem to have honoured themselves by communion with the noble human-being deemed to be divinity in human form that worked for the good of humanity.

The publication is enriched with many photographs of the Seer with personalities who visited the Mutt and sought his blessings. The authors, writing in Kannada and translating into English, about the saga of selfless service of the Swamiji have to be complimented and thanked for letting people to know about the world of good that people without means to survive received from Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji.

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Two-day music feast at Ganabharathi

Vidu. Nandini

Vidu. Aditi

Vid. Anoor Ananthakrishna

Vid. Sunaad Anoor

Vidu. Sukanya

Vidu. Sowmya

Vidu. Vani

Vidu. Lakshmi

Vidu. Bhagyalakshmi

Ganabharathi is organising a two-day music programme at Veene Seshanna Bhavan in Kuvempunagar on **Dec.20 and 21.**

On Dec.20 at 6 pm, **Vidu. N.J. Nandini** presents a vocal recital. She will be accompanied on violin by **Vidu. Aditi Krishnaprakash,** on mridanga by **Vid. Anoor Ananthakrishna Sharma** and on kanjeera by **Vid. Sunaad Anoor.** This programme is organised in memory of Shrimathi Lalitha Raghavan.

Profiles

N.J. Nandini is a vibrant young vocalist from Trivandrum. Hailing from a family of rich musical heritage, she has been nurtured over the years, by her eminent gurus, Prof. Parassala Ponnammal, Prof. P.R. Kumarakerala Varma, Dr. S. Bhagyalakshmi and Dr. M.N. Moorthy.

She is an 'A grade' artiste of AIR, Trivandrum. Winner of AIR music competition, Music Reality Show in Amrita TV, People's Choice Awards in Jaya TV. She has toured extensively and performed in many prestigious Sabhas and has won many awards.

Vidu. Aditi Krishnaprakash is the disciple of Vid. H.K. Narasimhamurthy. She has made a name in Karnatak music circle. She has performed with many renowned artistes.

Vid. Anoor Ananthakrishna Sharma is a veteran mrindanga player. He is adept in playing many other percussion instruments apart from mridanga.

Vid. Sunaad Anoor is a highly promising young artiste well-versed in playing kanjeera and has accompanied many renowned artistes.

STHREE THALA THARANG

On Dec.21 at 6 pm, **Vidu. Sukanya Ramgopal,** one of the leading percussionists of India, will present a novel percussion programme — *Sthree Thala Tharang.* This is the first time that a percussion instrument has come to occupy the centre stage in a Karnatak Concert.

This Ghata Tharang Concert has been presented in many places in India and abroad including Dubai, Singapore, Switzerland, Bejing, Seoul etc. and has received roaring reception everywhere.

Vidu. Sukanya Ramgopal will play ghata and konnakkol in this unique programme. **Vidu. Sowmya Ramachandran** will play violin, **Vidu. Vani Manjunath** flute, **Vidu. Lakshmi Pillai** mridanga and **Vidu. Bhagyalakshmi M. Krishna** morching.

The prog. is organised in memory of Malathi Parthasarathy.

Profiles

Vidu. Sukanya Ramgopal is one of the frontline musicians of India and the first woman ghata artiste of the country. She had her training under T.R. Harihara Sharma. She then trained in ghata, under the able guidance of Harihara Sharma and later under Vikku Vinayakram. She is an 'A Top' grade artiste of All India Radio (AIR). She is also empanelled by the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) as an 'Outstanding Artiste.' Apart from many awards and titles, she received the prestigious Sangeet Natak Akademi Puraskar for the year 2014. She was also conferred with TTK Award by Music Academy, Chennai.

Vidu. Sowmya Ramachandran started training in vocal first from her mother Raji Subbaraman and then from Balamani, Mumbai. She learnt to play violin from Shivakumar, Mumbai. She is a 'B-High' grade artiste with AIR, Bengaluru. She received 'Best Violinist Award' at The Music Academy and Krishna Gana Sabha, Chennai. Sowmya runs a music school 'Sampradhaya' where she trains many students both in vocal and violin.

Vidu. Vani Manjunath is a student of Vid. S.A. Shashashidhar, a renowned flutist and Prof. late H.V. Krishnamurthy, Founder of Vijaya College of Music, Bengaluru. She is now training under Vid. H.S. Sudheendra and has passed Vidwat with a first class. She is performing since thirty years.

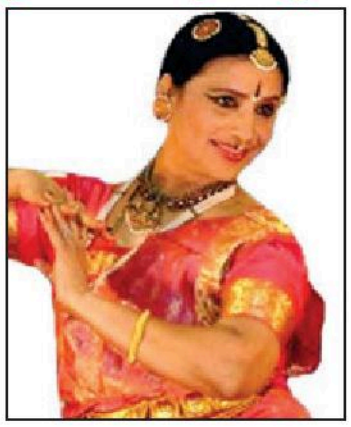
Vidu. Lakshmi Pillai is the disciple of *Padma Bhushan* Dr. T.V. Gopalakrishnan. Daughter of *Karnataka Kalasree* Vid. GurumurthyThangavelu (mridangist), she hails from musicians family and is the great granddaughter of Vid. Krishna Pillai, who is the first Indian mridangist to tour abroad. She has performed extensively in India and abroad.

Vidu. Bhagyalakshmi M. Krishna is the daughter and disciple of 'Morching Emperor' Vid. Dr. L. Bhimachar. She is an 'A' grade artiste of AIR, Bengaluru. She has performed in all the leading Sabhas in India and abroad. Till date, she has performed in more than 1,500 concerts. She received 'Ananya Yuva Puraskara' in 2014 and 'Best Senior Upapakkavadyam Award' from Madras Music Academy in 2017.

40th Anniversary of Nrityalaya

Mysuru, Dec. 19 (PM&SD)- Marking its 40th anniversary, Nrityalaya Trust, an academy of performing arts, has organised a 3-day cultural event *Nalavattara Nalivu - Nitya Nartana Parva* at Jaganmohan Palace from Dec. 20.

Academy President Dr. Tulasi Ramachandra said that the celebrations will be held from Dec. 20 to Dec. 22. Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji will grace the occasion. Art patron K.V. Murthy will be the chief guest. On the occasion, Dr. N.S. Taranath, M.Y. Puttanna and Dr. K. Kumar will be felicitated. During the 3-day event, eminent artistes will be presenting music and dance programmes including Kathak. District Co-operative


Dr. Tulasi Ramachandra

Union President H.V. Rajeev and other dignitaries will be present.

The valedictory will be held on Dec. 22 at 4.30 pm in which renowned novelist Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa and other distinguished personalities will be present.

Mysuru skater wins Gold in Nationals

Visakhapatnam, Dec.19- Mysuru lad **B.T. Harshith,** a product of Rao's Roller Skating Academy, Mysuru, representing Karnataka in the 57th National Roller Skating Championship 2019, being held at Visakhapatnam, won three gold medals in the Boys U-11 category.

Harshith is being trained by Ekalavya Award winner and former Indian team coach K. Srikantha Rao in Mysuru.

A 5th std. student of Amrita Vidyalayam in Bogadi 2nd Stage, Mysuru, Harshith is the son of mechanic B.E. Thammannagowda and Asharani, residents of Bogadi 2nd Stage.

Winners of State-level Huthari Floodlight Football Tourney

Seen are** (standing from left) **Yashwant Kumar (GK), Jhatin A. Ahuja, Rishabh Cariappa, R.C. Yejwan, M.S. Preetham,Jishnu H. Das, S. Shreyas, D.P. Tejas (GK);** Sitting: **M. Sukumar (Coach) and Praveen Raju (Captain).

Mysuru, Dec.19- Vijayanagar Football Club, Mysuru, has won the State-level '7 a side' Huthari Floodlight Football Tournament organised by Vaishnavi Football Club at Maragodu Government School Grounds in Madikeri.

More than 30 teams from South India participated in this prestigious Tournament.

Vijayanagar Football Club, Mysuru, defeated Nehru FC (Defending Champions since two years) by a margin of 1-0 in the final match. Rishabh Cariappa scored the only goal in the finals.

Vijayanagar Football Club, Mysuru, defeated Milan Boys, Ammatti, who were the finalists last year with a goal difference of 2-0 in the first semifinals.

With this victory, Vijayanagar Football Club won a cash prize of Rs.30,000. Rishabh Cariappa and Yashwant Kumar were awarded 'Top Goal Scorer' and 'Best Goal Keeper' respectively.

Vijayanagar Football Club was crowned the KKFC Chetthalli State-level Super 9s Champions in January.

It has been promoted from Bangalore C Division to Bangalore B Division by representing Mohammaden Sporting FC in which 91 teams had participated.

They will be aiming to qualify for Bangalore A Division in the following season.

KSCA Mysuru Zonal League 2019

Six-wicket win for Navajyothi CC

Mysuru, Dec.19- Helped by good batting performances by K. Dileep 53 n.o. and R. Madhusudhan 49 n.o., Navajyothi CC registered a facile six-wicket win over Mohan's XI in the KSCA Mysuru Zone 2nd Division League 2019-20, played at the K.R. Nagar Stadium here recently.

SCORES - 2nd Division

Mohan's XI: 244 in 45.4 overs (Madan Mohan 76, Kishan 57, J. Chethan 33, B. Mohith 24, Karthik 4/66, M. Mustafa 3/65, N.N. Naveen 2/12) lost to **Navajyothi CC:** 248/4 in 42.2 overs (K. Dileep 53 n.o., R. Madhusudhan 48 n.o., R. Rakesh 38, C.B. Roopesh 28, H.N. Naveen 25, B. Lokeshwara 34, Madan Mohan 2/42).

Karavali Cricketers: 261 in 49.1 overs (P.T. Poovaiah 70, M.U. Karthik 58, C. Dheeresh 35, J. Shashank 34, M.R. Jayanth 21, Sachin 3/52, Karthik 3/33, Ponnanna 2/62) lost to **Mysore City Gymkhana:** 262/9 in 48.3 overs (Punith S. Pai 48, P. Sandesh 45, Kaushik 45, Sachin 32, Sanketh Shetty 5/32).

Race: *Ambrosio* wins 'Chamundi Million-2019'

Gurudatta Hegde, Commissioner, Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), Mysuru, presenting 'The Chamundi Million 2019' to Ranjith Shinde, deputised for S.S. Attaollahi, Trainer of 'Ambrosio,' which won the event on the 6th day of Mysore Races-2019 held at Mysore Race Course yesterday. The winning horse, owned by P. Prabhakar Reddy, Rama Seshu Eyunni & United Racing & Bloodstock Breeders Ltd., was ridden by Jockey Akshay Kumar. Others seen are Mysore Race Club Chairman Dr. N. Nithyanand Rao and Committee Member M.C. Mallikarjun.

Kuldeep Yadav becomes first Indian to claim two ODI hat-tricks

Vizag, Dec.19- Kuldeep Yadav became the first Indian bowler to claim two ODI hat-tricks during the second match between India and the West Indies in Vizag yesterday.

In the 33rd over of the West Indies' chase, Kuldeep Yadav removed Shai Hope, Jason Holder and Alzarri Joseph on consecutive deliveries to become the sixth bowler in the world to claim multiple ODI hat-tricks.

Lasith Malinga has three, while Wasim Akram, Saqlain Mushtaq, Chaminda Vaas and Trent Boult have two hat-tricks each in ODIs.

As far as the Indian bowlers are concerned, Chetan Sharma claimed a hat-trick against New Zealand in Nagpur in 1987, Kapil Dev did it against Sri Lanka in Kolkata in 1991.

Kuldeep Yadav was the third Indian bowler to claim a hat-trick in ODIs when he dismissed Australia's Matthew Wade, Ashton Agar and Pat Cummins on back-to-back deliveries in Kolkata in 2017.

More recently, Mohammed Shami picked up an ODI hat-trick in an ICC World Cup 2019 game against Afghanistan.

Kuldeep, who also has a hat-trick for India in U-19 cricket, has taken 99 wickets in 55 ODIs since his debut in 2017.

Earlier, India, who were trailing 0-1 in the ongoing three-match series, came out all guns blazing after being put in to bat by the West Indies skipper Kieron Pollard.

Rohit Sharma, who brought up his 28th ODI century, and K.L. Rahul, who scored his 3rd ODI century, stitched together a 227-run opening partnership to take the hosts to a mammoth total of 387/5.

Rohit Sharma, who was finally dismissed by Sheldon Cottrell for 159, now has eight 150-plus scores in ODIs.

Australia opener David Warner has six, while Sachin Tendulkar and Chris Gayle have five each.

Riding on openers' explosive stand and Kuldeep Yadav's heroics, India levelled the series with a 107-run win.

The third and final ODI will be played in Cuttack on Sunday.

MYSORE TRAIN TIMINGS

Train No.	Name	Dep. Mys	Arr. B'lore	Dep. B'lore	Arr. Mys
22818/22817	Mysore-Howrah Weekly Express	12.30 am (Mon)	02.50 am (Mon)	12.50 am (Sun)	03.15 am (Sun)
12610/12609	Mysuru-Chennai Express (Super Fast)	04.45 am	07.45 am	08.10 pm	11.30 pm
16217/16218	Mysore-Sainagar Shirdi Weekly Express	05.30 am (Mon)	08.00 am (Mon)	03.30 am (Thu)	06.00am (Thu)
17326/17325	Vishwa Manava Express (Hubballi-Mysuru-Hubballi Daily)	05.50 am	08.55 am	05.45 pm	08.40 pm
[NOTE: This extended train 17326 departs Ashokapuram at 5.15 am to reach Mysore City Railway Station at 5.25 am; Similarly, on arrival, Train No. 17325 will leave Mysore City Railway Station at 8.55 pm to reach Ashokapuram at 9.15 pm].					
66554/66551	Mysore-Bangalore Passenger	06.10 am	09.15 am	09.20 am	12.45 pm
16215/16216	Chamundi Express	06.45 am	09.30 am	06.15 pm	09.05 pm
12578/12577	Mysore-Dharbanga Weekly Express	07.20 am (Sat)	09.55 am (Sat)	08.50 pm (Thu)	11.30 pm (Thu)
16229/16230	Mysore-Varanasi Bi-weekly Express	07.20 am	09.55 am	12.20 am	02.35 am
		(Tue & Thu)		(Sunday and Tuesday)	
16023/16024	Mysore-Yelahanka-Malgudi Exp. (Super Fast)	08.25 am	10.55 am	01.30 pm	04.00 pm
56281/56282	Chamarajnagar-Bangalore Passenger	09.05 am	12.40 pm	03.30 pm	06.40 pm
19668/19667	Palace Queen Weekly Humsafar Express (Mysuru-Udaipur City-Mysuru)	10.00 am (Thu)	12.10 pm (Thu)	01.50 pm (Wed)	04.25 pm (Wed)
12975/12976	Jaipur Express (Super Fast)	10.40 am	12.55 pm	01.00 pm	03.30 pm
		(Thursday and Saturday)		(Wednesday and Friday)	

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16315/ 16316	Mysuru- Bengaluru-Kochuveli Express	12.50 pm	4.35 pm	8.45 am	11.20 am
17307/17308	Mysore-Bagalkot Basava Express	01.30 pm	04.30 pm	11.15 am	01.50 pm
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		(Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri & Sat)		(Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri & Sat)	
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06562/ 06561	Mysore-Yelahanka MEMU Train	10.20 pm	12.45 am	3.10 am	5.35 am
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TOWARDS NANJANGUD /CHAMARAJNAGAR (Passengers)

Train No.	Name	Dep. Mys	Arr. Ch'nagar	Dep. Ch'nagar	Arr. Mys
56202/56281	Mysore-Chamarajanagar	05.00 am	06.40 am	07.00 am	09.00 am
56204/56203	Mysore-Chamarajanagar	07.20 am	09.10 am	10.40 am	12.30 pm
56206/56205	Mysore-Nanjangud	09.10 am	09.55 am (N'gud)	10.45 am (N'gud)	11.45 am
16220/16219	Tirupati-Chamarajanagar	10.40 am	12.30 pm	03.10 pm	04.45 pm
56210/56209	Mysore-Chamarajanagar	12.35 pm	02.35 pm	06.00 pm	08.00 pm
56208/56207	Mysore-Chamarajanagar	03.00 pm	04.40 pm	05.00 pm	06.40 pm
56282/56201	Mysore-Chamarajanagar	06.45 pm	08.40pm	08.55 pm	10.45 pm

TOWARDS HASSAN/ ARSIKERE

Train No.	Name	Dep. Mys	Arr. A'kere	Dep. A'kere	Arr. Mys
11036/11035	Mysore-Dadar Sharavathi Express	06.15 am	09.10 am	06.05 pm	09.40 pm
		(Sunday)		(Friday)	
56266/56265	Mysore-Arsikere Passenger	06.30 am	10.40 am	05.30 pm	09.30 pm
56216/56215	Mysore-Hassan-Yesvantpur Passenger	07.45 am	03.40 pm (Yesvantpur)	12.15 pm (Yesvantpur)	08.05 pm
56270/56269	Mysore-Shimoga Town Passenger	10.20 am	01.45 pm	12.30 pm	04.30 pm
56268/56267	Mysore-Arsikere Passenger	06.20 pm	10.40 pm	05.00 am	09.25 am
12781/12782	Mysore-Nizamuddin (New Delhi) Swarna Jayanthi Superfast Weekly Exp.	08.10 pm	11.05 pm	01.40 am	04.55 am
		(Friday)		(Wednesday)	
17301/17302	Mysore-Dharwad Express	10.30 pm	01.30 am	03.10 am	07.05 am
		Dep. Mys	Arr. Shimoga	Dep. Shimoga	Arr.Mys
16206/16205	Mysore-Talaguppa Express	06.00 am	10.53 am	04.40 pm	10.15 pm
56276/56275	Mysore-Shimoga Passenger	02.00 pm	08.55 pm	07.50 am	02.50 pm

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Train No.	Name	Departure	Arrival
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HT line work to Mydanahalli Power Grid Station

MP Pratap Simha assures farmers to inspect work and take decision

Mysuru, Dec.19(SPN&US)- "The ongoing work of drawing High Tension (HT) line from Pavagada taluk in Tumakuru district via Sira to the power grid station at Mydanahalli in Mysuru taluk would be inspected first before taking further decision," assured MP Pratap Simha to farmer leaders.

Pratap Simha

He was speaking at a meeting of Power Grid Station Officers and farmer leaders chaired by Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Sankar at his (DC) Office here on Tuesday.

Speaking on the occasion, Karnataka Rajya Raitha Sangha and Hasiru Sene State President Badagalapura Nagendra said that as per the blue print the high tension line from Pavagada via Sira was supposed to pass through Yachegowdanahalli and Gungralchatra to Mydanahalli Power Grid Station using 26 poles.

However, he observed that the line was now being drawn through Hosakote, Mallegowdanahalli, Doddagowdanakoppal, Kallur, Naganahalli and Megalapura to Mydanahalli Power Grid Station needing 36 poles.

He added that the line passes over fertile cultivated land with 2,000 coconut trees and other crops. He expressed apprehension that the drawing of the HT line would affect agricultural work and appealed the DC and MP to review the situation.

Giving a patient hearing to the woes of farmers, the MP, the DC and other officers assured the farmers that they would inspect the ongoing work and take a decision.

Job Mela in Mandya on Dec.21

DC holds preliminary meeting

Mandya, Dec.19(US)- "The two Job Melas held earlier have given livelihood to about 700 families and the one to be held now will help a minimum of 2,000 candidates as is being envisaged," disclosed Mandya Deputy Commissioner Dr. M.V. Venkatesh.

M.V. Venkatesh

He was addressing a preliminary meeting at his office here on Tuesday in the context of the proposed Job Mela to be held on Dec.21 at the premises of the Government College here under the aegis of District Administration, District Employment Exchange Office and City Municipality.

Dr. Venkatesh asked the officers concerned to bring in recruiting companies from Mandya, Mysuru, Bidadi, Ramanagaram, Hassan, Srirangapatna and Bengaluru to the Job Mela to help unemployed youths.

District Employment Officer K. Shivamurthy and other District officials attended the meeting. Candidates who have passed SSLC, PUC, ITI, diploma, degree, B.Sc (Nursing), BE and other courses can attend the event with resume, two photos, Aadhaar Card and other documents. Driving Licence is must for the post of drivers. For details, call Ph: 08232-220126 or Mob: 99862-63695.

Public auction of seized vehicles

Nanjangud, Dec. 19- The Nanjangud Town Police will be conducting a public auction of vehicles including 25 two-wheelers and 2 autos, which were seized in various cases and unclaimed by the owners. The auction will take place on Dec. 23 at 10 am at Nanjangud Police Station premises. Interested can participate in the auction along with their Aadhaar card and other documents.

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II PUC exam: Students to get

42-page booklet, no extra sheets

Deputy Director of Pre-University Education (DDPUE) Dr. B. N. Nagarathna launching the website of Vijaya Vittala PU College in Saraswathipuram on Tuesday as (from right) Vijaya Vittala PU College Principal H. Satyaprasad, Senior Journalist Amshi Prasannakumar, Trustee of Vijaya Vittala Vidyashala Srikanth Das, Hon. Secretary of Vijaya Vittala Educational Institutions R. Vasudev Bhat and Principal of Vijaya Vittala Vidyashala S. P. Asha look on.

Mysuru, Dec.19 (MK&US)- "From this year onwards, a 42-page answer booklet will be given to students appearing for II PUC examination," disclosed DDPUE Dr. B.N. Nagarathna.

She was speaking after launching the College website at the 14th Annual Day of Vijaya Vittala PU College in Saraswathipuram on Tuesday.

Dr. Nagarathna said that the students appearing for PU exam will not be given any additional sheets beyond the 42-page booklet from which no page should be torn.

She further said that the district has 250 PU Colleges and 30,000 students would appear for the II PU exam. The district stood 14th last year and it would improve this time as four preparatory exams have been held, she said and advised students to write the exam with confidence and without any apprehension.

The DDPUE asked the students to maintain good physical and mental health during exam with yoga and participating in sports. She appealed parents not to exert stress on their children to excel as it could have negative effects.

Senior Journalist Amshi Prasannakumar, who inaugurated the Annual Day by lighting the lamp, appreciated the efforts of the institution in nurturing and imbibing values in students which is proven by many successful students emerging as shining stars in various academic and co-curricular activities.

The students later presented a colourful cultural programme.

On the occasion, academic toppers of the previous year and other talented students in the field of music, literature and sports were felicitated.

SOM Cartoonist Banter Babu feted

Star of Mysore ***Cartoonist and Fulbrighter M.V. Nagendra Babu (Banter Babu) was recently felicitated by the city-based Himalaya Foundation at Rotary Hall on JLB road. He is seen with writer on religious matters Dr. Gururaja P. Shetty; traditional artist Meera Kumar; religious thinker Dr. Vasudeva Agnihotri; veteran scholar Dr. C.J. Ramachandra Das and journalist Muguru Nanjundaswamy.***

Now, pensioners can submit Life Certificate any month

Mysuru, Dec. 19- At present pensioners are required to submit Digital Jeevan Pramaan/Life Certificate in the month of November each year to continue to draw pension. This provision has been examined in the light of the difficulties faced by pensioners and heavy work load of field offices in November.

This activity affects the normal functioning of the offices apart from generating large number of grievances on account of stoppage of pension. Also, in case of belated submission of Life Certificate it remains valid only for a few months upto November.

Henceforth, the system of submission of Life Certificate/ Jeevan Pramaan by Employees Pension Scheme (EPS),1995 pensioners in November in each year may be replaced by a system of submission of Life Certificate after a year from the date of submission of last Life Certificate.

Accordingly, pensioners will have to submit the Life Certificate/ Jeevan Pramaan in the same month during next year failing which pension will be stopped from the succeeding month, according to a press release from Mukesh Kumar, Regional PF Commissioner-I (Pension).

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WORD OF THE DAY

Mellifluous

Pronunciation: muh-LIFF-luh-wus.

Meaning: Having a smooth rich flow; filled with something (such as honey) that sweetens.

Origin: In Latin, mel means "honey" and fluere means "to flow." Those two linguistic components flow smoothly together in mellifluus (from Late Latin) and mellyfluous (from Middle English), the ancestors of mellifluous. The adjective these days typically applies to sound, as it has for centuries. In 1671, for example, poet John Milton wrote in Paradise Regained of the "Wisest of men; from whose mouth issu'd forth Mellifluous streams." But mellifluous can also be used of flavor, as when wine critics Eric Asimov and Florence Fabricant used it to describe pinot grigio in the 2014 book Wine With Food: "Most pinot grigios give many people exactly what they want: a mellifluous, easy-to-pronounce wine that can be ordered without fear of embarrassment and that is at the least cold, refreshing, and for the most part cheap."

THE ODD WORD

Mabsoot

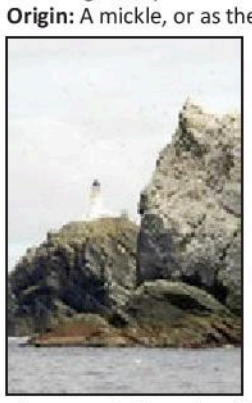
Happy.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Many a little makes a mickle

Meaning: Many small amounts accumulate to make a large amount.

Origin: A mickle, or as they prefer it in Scotland, a muckle, means 'great or large in size'. Apart from 'many a little (or pickle) makes a mickle' the words only now remain in use in UK place-names, like Muckle Flugga in Shetland (which amply lives up to its translated name of 'large, steep-sided island') and Mickleover in Derbyshire (listed in the Domesday Book as Magna Oufra - 'large village on the hill'). 'Over' and 'upper' are very common prefixes in English place-names, along with their opposites 'under', 'lower', 'nether' or 'little'. Examples of these are the Cotswold villages of Upper and Lower Slaughter, and the Hampshire villages of Over and Nether Wallop. The word 'much' derives from the Old English 'mickle' and has now almost entirely replaced it. 'Much' is also used in place-names like Much Wenlock, Shropshire (there's also a Little Wenlock, of course).



The proverbial phrase 'many a little makes a mickle' has now itself been largely superseded by the 18th century 'look after the pennies (originally, 'take care of the pence'), and the pounds will look after ('take care of') themselves'. The first mention in print of what was undoubtedly an older proverb comes in a 1614 work by William Camden, with a rather desultory title - Remaines of a greater worke concerning Britaine, 1605: "Many a little makes a micle."

QUOTE BOX

Those who bring sunshine to the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves. **—J.M. Barrie**

RIDDLE THIS

During which month do people sleep the least?

Answer :February (there are fewer nights in February).

SUDOKU

6		7						8
			5	8			1	
	9		2					
						2	5	
7	3						6	1
	4	5						
					1		4	
	8			3	9			
4						9		3

Answer to previous puzzle

5	2	4	8	1	7	9	6	3
1	8	3	6	9	4	7	5	2
6	7	9	2	3	5	4	1	8
8	1	6	9	5	3	2	7	4
4	5	2	1	7	8	6	3	9
3	9	7	4	6	2	1	8	5
2	6	1	3	8	9	5	4	7
7	4	8	5	2	1	3	9	6
9	3	5	7	4	6	8	2	1

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Is unwell or sick
5 Cloth borders
9 Bombay to ___ : Amitabh's comedy?
12 Oklahoma Indian
13 I smell __ __ : there's something fishy here? (1,3)
14 Be unwell
15 __ packing: dismissed cheaply?
16 Geometric figure
18 ____ other : one another?
20 Desist
21 Effluent system
23 "My Way" lyricist
25 Expert, in short
26 Boss of a shield
28 Grow weary
32 Above ground level
33 Former Mideast org.
34 New as a prefix
35 Aristocratic dandy
37 IIM grads.
39 Course Deviation Indicator
40 Greek peak
42 Charged atom
44 Argonauts' leader
47 Ogled or looked at
48 Imitates, mimics or copies
51 Acquires or receives
54 "Are" anagram for a foreign boy's name?
55 Arthropod feeler
56 Fixed amount
57 Frequency unit
58 A river of Scotland
59 Bring to a halt

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

D	O	S	A		L	O	C	I		S	E	A
A	M	E	S		A	B	U	T		U	R	N
T	A	N	S		C	I	R	C	L	I	N	G
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			G	U	Y		L	E	G	A	C	Y
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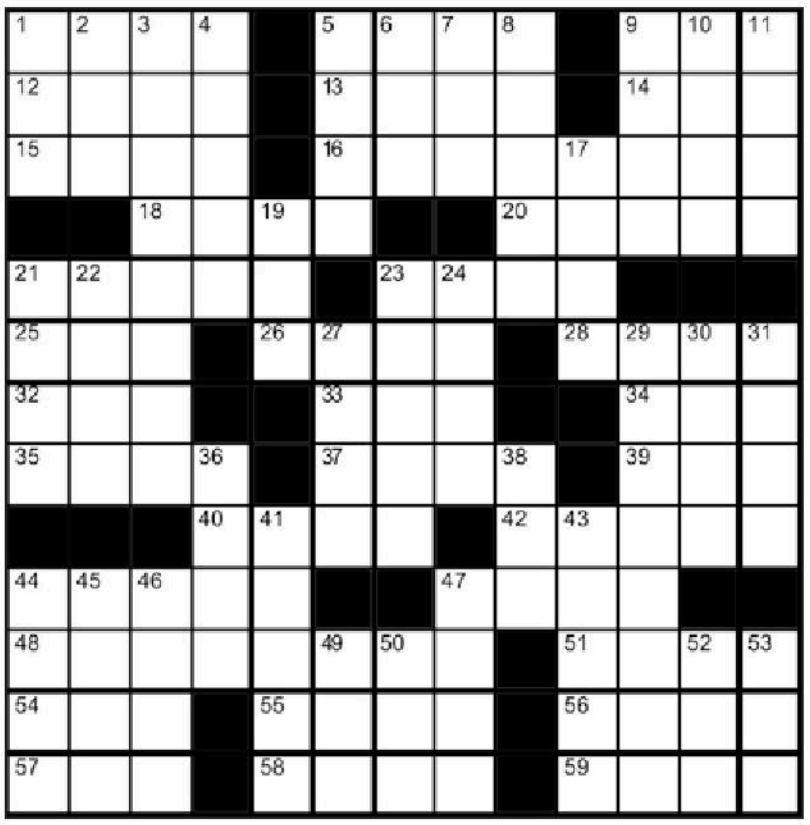
C	O	N	S	U	M	E	S		A	M	R	E
A	B	E		R	A	M	I		N	I	N	E
B	I	D		E	P	I	C		T	R	O	D

DOWN

1 Ancient Order of the Shepherds
2 Suffix denoting native or inhabitant
3 He prefers to be by himself (4,4)
4 Bristles - "tease" anagram?
5 "Has" in old-fashioned English
6 Be mistaken
7 May in France
8 Pile of hay
9 Pop star Lady ____
10 Lubricates
11 To shelter
17 Not untidy
19 French vineyard -"cur" anagram?
21 Argument or tiff
22 Therefore in Latin
23 Ethiopian capital Addis ___
24 "Doll House" character
27 ___ the word: say nothing?
29 Episode
30 Perform or accomplish again
31 English batsman ___ Morgan
36 First of April is his day?
38 Utter
41 Photographs
43 Emperor of Ethiopia
44 Yank or pull; pluck
45 Oriental nanny - "a ham" changed?
46 Major canal
47 Glance or look at
49 Light knock
50 Estimated life expectancy
52 Pedro's uncle - "ITO" changed
53 Std. temp. & press.



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

EGNYYCS HAF NF NSS. HA LNH YCIASMCJ FA LNXC FQC LAIF AZ

QKLICSZ DNH IONYC FKLC ZAY OCYIAHNS DAHFCHFKAH.

TODAY'S CLUE: F EQUALS T

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: The way you overcome shyness is to become so wrapped up in something that you forget to be afraid.

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Kiss	Sangam	2520494	2 Shows
Kalidasa Kannada Meshtru	Sangam	2520494	2 Shows
Damayanthi	Lakshmi	2443584	2 Shows
Mane Maratakkide	Lakshmi	2443584	2 Shows
	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
Bramhachari	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
HINDI			
Pati Patni Aur Woh	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
The Body	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
ENGLISH			
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TAMIL			
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TELUGU			
Venky Mama	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
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	(S-2)	7.15 pm
Odeya (K)	(S-1)	3.40 pm, 6.45 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-3)	10.30 am
	(S-4)	1.00 pm
Pati Patni Aur Woh (H)	(S-2)	10.45 am, 4.20 pm
Kaalidas (Ta)	(S-2)	1.30 pm
Mamangam (Ma)	(S-2)	9.45 pm
Kalidasa Kannada Meshtru (K)	(S-3)	1.45 pm
The Body (H)	(S-3)	4.45 pm
Venky Mama (Te)	(S-3)	7.00 pm, 9.50 pm
Jumanji 2 : The Next Level (E-3D)	(S-4)	10.25 am, 4.35 pm
		7.15 pm, 9.50 pm

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		4.05 pm, 6.50, 9.40 pm
Odeya (K)	(S-2)	9.50 am, 4.10 pm, 9.50 pm
	(S-3)	12.05 pm, 6.35 pm
Mardaani -2 (H)	(S-2)	7.30 pm
	(S-3)	9.50 am, 2.25 pm
		5.15 pm, 9.55 pm
Pati Patni Aur Woh (H)	(S-3)	12.10 pm
The Body (H)	(S-4)	9.50 am
	(S-3)	7.35 pm
Venky Mama (Te)	(S-2)	1.05 pm
	(S-4)	9.55 pm
Mamangam (Ma)	(S-4)	3.25 pm

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Odeya (K)	8.40 am, 12 noon, 3.20 pm
	6.40 pm, 10.00 pm
Mardaani 2 (H)	8.50 am, 11.45 am, 2.25 pm
	4.50 pm, 7.15 pm, 9.40 pm
The Body (H)	9.20 am, 2.10 pm, 7.25 pm
Venky Mama (Te)	11.20 am, 4.15 pm
Pati Patni Aur Woh (H)	4.35 pm
Mamangam (Ma)	9.50 pm

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EVENTS TODAY (DEC. 19)

Sahara Art and Crafts: Handicraft and Handloom Exhibition-cum-Sale, Scouts and Guides Ground, behind DC's Office, **up to 9.30 pm.**

Vijaya Vittala Vidyashala, Saraswathipuram: School Anniversary (LKG to 4th std.), DDPI Dr. Panduranga chief guest, Vijaya Vittala Educational Institutions Trustee Phaniraj presides, School premises, **5 pm onwards.**

Sri Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple, Palace North Gate: Sri Hanuma Jayanti Mahotsava, Cultural Programme, Bhajans by Chethana Mahila Bhajana Mandali and troupe, **5 pm;** Nadaswara Recital by artistes of Palace Temples, Sri Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple premises, **6.45 pm.**

Ganabharathi: Vocal Concert by Vidu. N.J. Nandini, accompanied by Vid. Aditi Krishnaprasad on violin, Vid. Anoor Ananthakrishna Sharma on mridanga and Vid. Anoor Sunad on kanjeera, Ganabharathi, Adichunchanagiri Road, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama: Swami Jnanayoganandaji speaks on 'Sri Durga Saptashati,' Ashrama premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

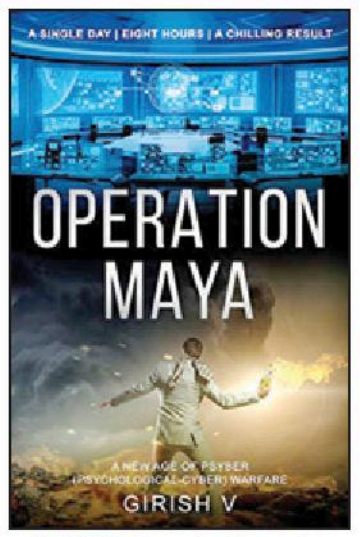
Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota and Talukina Venkannaiah Smaraka Granthamale and Kalpavruksha Trust, Mysuru:

Felicitation to new Chairman of Karnataka Sahitya Academy **Dr. B.V. Vasanthakumar** by Mandya's Kannada Sangha President Prof. Jayaprakash Gowda, KIKS Director Dr. Neelagiri M. Talawar delivers felicitation address, poetess Latha Rajashekar presides, Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota Mysuru President M. Chandrashekar delivers keynote address, Talukina Venkannaiah Smaraka Granthamale Publisher T.S. Chayapati and Kalpavruksha Trust President Dr. H.B. Rajashekar will be present, Maneyangala, Kalamandira premises, **6 pm.**

Sree Andal Mandiram Trust, Temple Road, V.V. Mohalla and Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Upasabha (Rural), Mysuru: Month-long Dhanurmasa Puja, Discourse on Tiruppavai by Vid. Ramanuja Sharma, Trust premises, **6 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Upasabha, KR Vanam: Discourse on 'Tiruppavai Kalakshepa' by Dr. N.K. Ramaseshan, Sri Ramamandira, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Mysuru Book Clubs-2015: Book Launch



— V. Girish's 'Operation Maya - A new age of psyber (psychological-cyber) warfare' — Zilla Panchayat CEO K. Jyothi chief guest, first copy will be received by senior Vice-President of ITDC (retd.) and *Star of Mysore* columnist N.K. Ananth Ballal, KBR Hall, 1st Floor, Sri Kanteerava Narasimha Sports Club, Lalitha Mahal Road, **6.45 pm to 7.15 pm.**

Sri Venugopalaswamy Temple, Tyagaraja Road: Discourse by Vid. M.K. Shelvanarayana, Sanskrit Lecturer, Sharada Vidya Mandira, Temple premises, **7 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (DEC. 20)

Sri Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple, Palace North Gate: Sri Hanuma Jayanti Mahotsava, Sri Rama Devara Pattabhisheka Mohotsva, **8 am;** Cultural Programme, Bhajans by Harivayu Bhajana Mandali and troupe, **5 pm;** Karnatak Classical Music by Vid. Yogisha Sharma Kasaragod and troupe, Sri Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple premises, **6.45 pm.**

Anokhi Garden: ...the bewitching, lyrical world of Ram Singh Urveti - Gond Artist, Anokhi Garden, 408, Contour Road, near Adithya Hospital, Gokulam, 3rd Stage, **8 am to 5 pm.**

Sri Mahajana Sabha: Sri Adi Shankaracharya Sharada Peetham (Hariharapura, Koppa taluk, Chikkamagalur) Seer Swayamprakasha Sachidananda Saraswathi Swamiji blesses the devotees, Sri Rama Mandira, Krishnamurthypuram, **9.30 am;** Special pujas, Mandira premises, **6.30 pm.**

Sahara Art and Crafts: Handicraft and Handloom Exhibition-cum-Sale, Scouts and Guides Ground, behind DC's Office, **10.30 am to 9.30 pm.**

Maharshi Institutions: 'Maharshi Manthana - Anekateyalli Ekathe,' Annual Day celebrations, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji of Avadhoota Datta Peetham presides, retd. Tahsildar and editor of Vanajyothi monthly magazine chief guest, Maharshi School premises, Vishweshwaranagar, **4 pm.**

Sri Raghavendraswamy Seva Samiti, Jayalakshmipuram: Discourse on 'Mahabharata Vana Parva' by Dr. Be.Na. Vijayendracharya, Raghavendraswamy Mutt premises, Jayalakshmipuram, **5 pm to 6.30 pm.**

Sree Andal Mandiram Trust, Temple Road, V.V. Mohalla and Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Upasabha (Rural), Mysuru: Month-long Dhanurmasa Puja, Discourse on Tiruppavai by Vid. Ramanuja Sharma, Trust premises, **6 pm to 7.30 pm.**

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HH Sri Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar Foundation and Deccan Heritage Foundation: Talk on 'The Hoysala

Legacy - Belur, Helebid and Somanathapura' by **Kamalika Bose,** Urban Conservationist and Founder, Heritage Synergies India, **6.30 pm;** Talk on 'City of a single stone - Kakatiya Heritage of Warangal' by **Dr. Phillip B. Wagoner,** Professor of Art, History and Archaeology, USA, Wadiyar Centre for Architecture, 1011, CH-20, Krishnaraja Boulevard, Chamarajapuram, **7.30 pm.**

Sri Venugopalaswamy Temple, Tyagaraja Road: Tirupavai Discourse by Vid. M.K. Shelvanarayana, Sanskrit Lecturer, Sharada Vidya Mandira, Temple premises, **7 pm.**

Shruthimanjari's Music Learning Camp, Contests

Mysuru, Dec.19- Shruthimanjari Foundation, as part of its 22nd annual music festival, is conducting a music learning camp.

Padma Shri Vid. R.N. Thyagarajan will conduct the camp of Rare Compositions of various composers from Jan.3 to 5 at No.580, P&T Block, Aniketha-na 9th Cross, Kuvempunagar.

Shruthimanjari is also conducting a State-level 'Mosale Krishnamurthy Memorial Raga-Tana-Pallavi' singing contest on Jan.5 at Rotary West Auditorium at 10.30 am.

The first prize winner will be awarded a cash prize of Rs.5,000 and a chance to sing during annual music festival 2020. Last date for submission of filled-in applications is Jan.3. Applications can be had from Dr. R.N. Sreelatha of the Foundation.

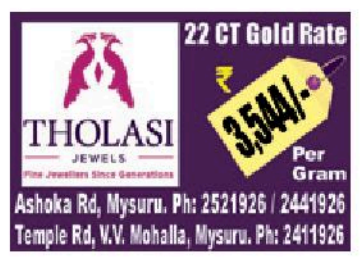
For details, contact Ph: 0821-2541527 or Mob: 99451-24825, according to a press release from M.K. Seetharam, Secretary of the Foundation.

AGM of Mysore Literary Association on Dec.22

Mysuru, Dec.19- The Third Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of the Mysore Literary Association for the year 2018-2019 will be held on Dec.22 at 11 am at Rotary Mysore West Auditorium, Kamakshi Hospital Road, Saraswathipuram.

The meeting will be chaired by Association President Prof. K.C. Belliappa.

For details, contact Mob: 99806-56631, according to a press release from Reginald Wesley, Hon. Secretary, Mysore Literary Association.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